



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **KITAMURA, Toru et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2872**

Serial No.: **09/582,094**

Examiner: **Thong Q. Nguyen**

Filed: **June 22, 2000**

P.T.O. Confirmation No.: **8068**

For. **MICROSCOPE**

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGES**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 22, 2004

Sir:

The Examiner's approval of the drawing corrections indicated in red ink on the attached 4 sheets of drawings is respectfully requested.

Upon receipt of approval of the drawing corrections and a formal Notice of Allowance, a bonded draftsman will be retained and the appropriate corrections will be made.

In the event any fees are required in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,  
**WESTERMAN, HATTORI, DANIELS & ADRIAN, LLP**

Michael N. Lau  
Attorney for Applicant  
Reg. No. 39,479

MNL/asc:eg  
Atty. Docket No. 000725  
Suite 700,  
1250 Connecticut Ave., N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20036  
(202) 822-1100

38834  
PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED  
JAN 28 2004  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800

**IN THE DRAWINGS:**

Submitted herewith is a Request for Approval of Drawing Corrections, along with proposed drawing corrections to Figures 3, 12, 13, 24(a), and 24(b), as marked in red ink.

The applicants respectfully request that the proposed drawing corrections submitted herewith be approved by the Examiner, and that the outstanding objection to the drawings be withdrawn.